

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Canceled).

2. (Canceled).

3. (Canceled).

4. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim ~~3~~ 28, characterized in that the annular recess has an arc ~~or triangle~~ cross-section, and each corner between the arc ~~or triangle~~ and the substrate second face forms an obtuse angle when seen in cross section.

5. (Canceled).

6. (Canceled).

7. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 28, characterized in that the substrate has a metal piece or a magnetic element integrated therein.

8. (Currently amended). An optical recording medium of claim 28, characterized in that the optical recording medium has a memory integrated therein.

9. (Original). An optical recording medium of claim 8, characterized in that the memory is a nonvolatile semiconductor memory.

10. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 8 or 39, characterized in that the optical recording medium has an antenna which is connected to the memory integrated therein.

11. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 292, characterized in that the substrate is composed of one plastic substrate, and the design put on the other face of the plastic substrate is formed by means of printing.

12. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 292, characterized in that the substrate is composed of one plastic substrate and the other face of the plastic substrate has optical data recorded thereon, the other face being provided with an adhesive layer and a cover layer attached by the adhesive layer, the design being put on a surface of the cover layer.

13. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 292, characterized in that the substrate has a metal piece or a magnetic element integrated therein.

14. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 292, characterized in that the optical recording medium has a memory integrated therein.

15. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 293, characterized in that the substrate is composed of one plastic substrate, and the design put on the other face of the plastic substrate is formed by means of printing.

16. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 293, characterized in that the substrate is composed of one plastic substrate and the other face of the plastic substrate has optical data recorded thereon, the other face being provided with an adhesive layer and a cover layer attached by the adhesive layer, the design being put on a surface of the cover layer.

17. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 293, characterized in that the substrate has a metal piece or a magnetic element integrated therein.

18. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 293, characterized in that the optical recording medium has a memory integrated therein.

19. (Previously presented). An optical recording medium of claim 4, characterized in that the substrate is composed of one plastic substrate, and the design put on the other face of the plastic substrate is formed by means of printing.

20. (Previously presented). An optical recording medium of claim 4, characterized in that the substrate is composed of one plastic substrate and the other face of the plastic substrate has optical data recorded thereon, the other face being provided with an adhesive layer and a cover layer attached by the adhesive layer, the design being put on a surface of the cover layer.

21. (Previously presented). An optical recording medium of claim 4, characterized in that the substrate has a metal piece or a magnetic element integrated therein.

22. (Previously presented). An optical recording medium of claim 4, characterized in that the optical recording medium has a memory integrated therein.

23. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 335, characterized in that the substrate has a metal piece or a magnetic element integrated therein.

24. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 335, characterized in that the optical recording medium has a memory integrated therein.

25. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 356, characterized in that the substrate has a metal piece or a magnetic element integrated therein.

26. (Currently Amended). An optical recording medium of claim 356, characterized in that the optical recording medium has a memory integrated therein.

27. (Previously presented). An optical recording medium of claim 7, characterized in that the optical recording medium has a memory integrated therein.

28. (New). An optical recording medium having data optically recorded on a substrate having a flat first face to be fixed to a chuck by magnetic force, the chuck having an annular protrusion for determining a rotation center, and a flat second face which is the reverse face of the first face, the optical recording medium comprising:

a disk-shaped magnetic element integrated in the substrate at the center portion of the first face, for generating the magnetic force; and

an annular recess arranged around the disk-shaped magnetic element of the first face so that the annular protrusion fits into the annular recess,

wherein a design is put on the center portion of the second face.

29. (New). An optical recording medium having data optically recorded on a substrate having a flat first face to be fixed to a chuck by magnetic force, the chuck having an annular protrusion for determining a rotation center, and a flat second face which is the reverse face of the first face, the optical recording medium comprising:

a disk-shaped metal piece integrated in the substrate at the center portion of the first face, for connecting with the chuck by the magnetic force; and

an annular recess arranged around the disk-shaped metal piece of the first face so that the annular protrusion fits into the annular recess,

wherein a design is put on the center portion of the second face

30. (New). An optical recording medium of claim 29, characterized in that the annular recess has an arc cross-section, and each corner between the arc and the second face forms an obtuse angle when seen in cross section.

31. (New). An optical recording medium of claim 28, characterized in that the annular recess has a triangle cross-section, and each corner between the triangle and the second face forms an obtuse angle when seen in cross section.

32. (New). An optical recording medium of claim 29, characterized in that the annular recess has a triangle cross-section, and each corner between the triangle and the second face forms an obtuse angle when seen in cross section.

33. (New). An optical recording medium as in claim 28 or 29, characterized in that the design is printed on a resin layer formed on the second face.

34. (New). An optical recording medium as in claim 29, characterized in that the design is printed on a resin layer formed on the second face.

35. (New). An optical recording medium as in claim 28, characterized in that the design is put on a cover layer attached to the second face by an adhesive layer.

36. (New). An optical recording medium as in claim 29, characterized in that the design is put on a cover layer attached to the second face by an adhesive layer.

37. (New). An optical recording medium of claim 35, characterized in that the cover layer is a metal foil or lenticular lens.

38. (New). An optical recording medium of claim 36, characterized in that the cover layer is a metal foil or lenticular lens.

39. (New). An optical recording medium of claim 29, characterized in that the optical recording medium has a memory integrated therein.

40. (New). An optical recording medium of claim 39, characterized in that the memory is a nonvolatile semiconductor memory.

41. (New). An optical recording medium of claim 9 or 40, characterized in that the optical recording medium has an antenna which is connected to the memory integrated therein.